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Honorable Ed Smith
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Dear Justices Honorable Smith,

I am writing today to express my opposition to the proposed rule change 8.4(g).

I am greatly concerned about the proposed rule change 8.4(g) as it would seem that it is a clear violation to the free exercise of religion.

We are seeing this more and more in our country, just because we don't agree with someone's view point, religion, or out-right opinion - we don't have the right to suppress them. THIS is what makes America great, this is one thing that makes America unique. A country that is FILLED with different nationalities, religions, political affiliations, and races - all live side by side in unity. It doesn't mean that one group's opinions are valued more than another's - but that we all have the right to express them.

Assuming that all lawyers, judges, etc. have to think ONE particular way is ludicrous. I believe with this rule change what you are really saying is that no longer will the legal profession have a place for Christians (or Muslims and other religious groups by the way) particularly if they can be "punished" for going to a church or belonging to a religious group that says "Marriage is between one man and one woman". You may not agree with the majority of religions out there, but it doesn't mean that a lawyer should be disbarred because they do.

America is unique and special, I am worried for my children because I don't know what America will look like for them when they are adults.

Please, keep America a SAFE place for discourse, for unique thoughts and beliefs. Don't suppress the freedom speech - You are the one's that "we the people" count on to uphold our freedoms.

I hope that you will do the right thing and reject this rule change and protect our Freedom, not hinder or suppress them.

Sincerely,

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